

## DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

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the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following is checked:

☒ was filed on January 25, 2002, as United States Application No. 10/057,108, bearing attorney docket no. D0590.70011US00.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. §§119(a)-(d) or (f) and/or 35 U.S.C. §365(a) or (b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States, inventor's certificate, or application(s) for plant breeder's rights listed below, and have also identified below any foreign application for patent, PCT international application, inventor's certificate and applications for plant breeder's rights having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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